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TRIMLESS SAMPLE CUP USED

IN X-RAY SPECTROSCOPY

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C.

Date: MAY 11, 1995

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please enter the following amendments and remarks into the above-identified application.

Please add the following new claims:

A cup\assembly for holding a sample to be 21. (NEW) analyzed spectrochemically, comprising:

a first member forming a sample cell, said first member having a generally cylindrical wall extending between a first end and a second end thereof, a recess extending circumferentially about an outer surface of said wall, and an outwardly extending annular flange unitarily formed with said first end; and